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Buckner's Jubilee Singers, 2d Baptist Church, Friday, Apr. 30. Admission 25cts.

NEGROES IN THE UNITED STATES

A Bulletin Containing the Most Recent Statistics Relative to the Race.

Bulletin 129, entitled "Negroes in the United States," presenting statistics derived from the thirteenth census and from other statistical inquiries conducted by the bureau of the census, department of commerce, has been issued and is now being distributed.

The bulletin, which consists of 207 pages of text and tables, will be followed by a more complete and comprehensive report on the same subject. The director of the census in transmitting the report to the secretary of commerce, states:

"The object in view is to embody in a single publication the principal and most recent census statistics relative to the Negro, arranged and presented in such a way as to contribute as much information as possible regarding the status and progress of the Negro race in the United States."

A similar publication was issued in 1904 following the completion of the twelfth census, taken in 1900, and there has been a very general demand for a report covering the same field but based upon the more recent statistics of the thirteenth census.

"The need for a monographic presentation arises from the fact that the census statistics relating to the Negro must otherwise be sought for in many different volumes covering population, agriculture, mortality and other general subjects. The result is that these statistics are not easily accessible to the general public until brought together in a single publication."

The bulletin was prepared in the division of revision and results, bureau of the census, under the general supervision of Dr. Joseph A. Hill, expert special agent. The statistical tables were planned and arranged by three Negro employees of the bureau—Chas. E. Hall, William Jennifer and Robert A. Pelham, under their direction by other Negro clerks. Mr. Hall's assignment covered population and occupations, Mr. Jennifer's agriculture and religious statistics, and Mr. Pelham's mortality and ownership of homes statistics.

As a government document the bulletin is for free distribution and can be obtained by application to the director of the census, Washington, D. C.

WATLINGTON DRILL CORPS.

Here is the list of U. B. F. and S. M. T. that will help the Watlington Drill Corps to secure their uniforms. What will you give Address your communication to Joseph Parrent, 1609 E. 13th street or Neal Range, Jr., 1407 Lydia. Make checks payable to Watlington Drill Camp.

\$490.00 By May.

The following have contributed:

Mercy Temple	\$10.00
Justice Lodge	10.00
Gates Ajar Temple	3.00
Fred Douglas Lodge	22.50
B. K. Bruce Temple	5.00
E. A. Walker	5.00
Peaceful Path Lodge	15.00
Progress Temple	5.00
Ezekiel Lodge	10.00
W. M. Saunders Lodge	5.50
New Hope Temple	20.00
St. Stephen's Lodge	3.00
Lilly of the Valley Royal House	2.00
B. K. Bruce Lodge	5.00
Seven Son Lodge	2.00

The Camp meets every Monday night at Garrison Square, 5th and Troost avenue. You may send your donations there if you desire.

BUCKNER'S JUBILEE SINGERS.

The coming of Buckner's Jubilee Singers to the Second Baptist church, Tenth and Charlotte streets, Friday night, April 30, marks a distinct epoch in musical circles in this city, and will doubtless attract the largest and most brilliant audience that has ever attended a like entertainment in this city. Dr. Bacone's success in entertainments of this character is proverbial, and the list of assistants which he has selected speaks success from the very start. The church has been divided into sections, of which Mrs. Black and Miss Rossion have section 1; Mrs. Brown and Mrs. King, section 2; Mrs. Holt and Mrs. Berry, section 3; Miss Gray, Miss Ruth Price and Miss Juanita Johnson, section 4. Any of these ladies will be pleased to furnish you tickets, and the general reservation for all will be 25 cents.



NOW BUCKNER'S FAMOUS JUBILEE SINGERS

This famous aggregation will give the greatest concert of the year at the Second Baptist Church, Tenth and Charlotte streets, Friday evening, April 30.

BAPTIST ALLIANCE SPEAKS.

To the Kansas City Sun and to the Baptists at large:

This is to certify that the Twin City Baptist Ministers' Alliance, after a careful investigation of the charges brought by the Greenwood Baptist church, Rev. G. T. Mosby, pastor, against Rev. S. A. Anderson, pastor of Pleasant Valley Baptist church, Rosedale, Kas., for unbecoming conduct toward the Greenwood Baptist church and pastor, and walking indiscreetly as a minister of the gospel; and after being thoroughly convinced of his guilt, we therefore withdraw the right hand of fellowship from him as a gospel preacher in a regular meeting of the Alliance. After the expiration of the three weeks given him to set himself right, which he has failed to do. We therefore publish his name to the public.

Done by the order of the Alliance April 19, 1915.

REV. J. B. BECKHAM, President.

O. T. REDD, Sec. Retary.

The names of those who voted are: Revs. W. A. Bowen, J. M. Booker, J. W. Clay, J. W. Hulse, George McNeal, J. B. Williams, D. B. Jackson, G. H. Daniels, C. C. Callaway, D. Norfleet, C. P. Crutchfield, J. W. Jenkins, J. W. Fagan, C. H. Todd, J. J. Adams, D. St. Clair.



REV. W. H. DAVIS
An able and eloquent Baptist Divine now pastoring at Forest Green, Mo.

Dear Editor:

That some of the employees of the Metropolitan are gentlemen in their conduct toward colored ladies as well as white, was evidenced the other day when a colored woman's hat was blown from the car. The conductor stopped his car, told the lady to sit still, went back nearly a block, got the hat and handed it to her with a smile and said, "no trouble; we are pleased to look after our passengers." This was conductor No. 676 of the Brooklyn line and I am sure the thanks of our race goes out to a man like this who is manly enough to forget prejudice and be a gentleman toward all women, white or colored.

D. H. GREEN.

BY THEIR FRUITS.

In the production of "The Birth of a Nation" in this city a race is libeled. In the office of the collector of internal revenue for the Second district of New York that race may be judged by its fruits.

Charles W. Anderson goes out of office today after holding for ten years this responsible post under the treasury. Many millions of dollars have passed through his hands. His dealings have been practically all with white men of the keenest intellect and of substantial business standing.

Capacity and courtesy have been the qualities most remarked in his conduct of an office maintained always in the highest efficiency.

In Collector Anderson's time, three complicated and important new revenue measures, the income tax, the corporation tax and the war revenue tax, have made this office the most difficult, as it is the most important ever held by a colored man under the government. He has stood the test.

No race is fairly judged by holding up as types for reprobation its most degraded specimens. Every race has the right to be judged by its patient, toiling, useful average, and by its best.—New York World, April 1, 1915.

MARSHALL, MO.

Entered into life—Miss Mae Louise Johnson.

Once more have the shadows lengthened across the portals of our home and the great Angled Death has borne away our beloved niece and sister to join the heavenly choir which throngs around the great white throne, chanting hallelujahs.

Mae Louise Johnson was born in Marshall, Mo., May 5, 1891. She was left an orphan at the age of 2, and has made her home with her aunt, Miss Mollie C. Johnson, since that time.

She graduated from the public school of this city in 1909, under the principalship of Prof. J. H. Kenner. Desirous of a higher education she was sent to Lincoln Institute, where she graduated with all honors in 1913.

She was engaged in the profession of teaching, having taught in Bluffton, Mo., the year 1914, and was, up to the time of her death, a teacher in the Napton school.

The deceased had been complaining of the dreaded tuberculosis when death came to her relief on April 3, 1915. She was a member of the North Street M. E. church, also a member of Queen Foster Temple No. 139.

She will be greatly missed by all who knew her, for to know her was to love her.

She leaves to mourn her departure an aunt, Miss Mollie C. Johnson, two brothers, Leverette and Oliver Johnson, and a number of relatives and friends.

The funeral services were conducted at the North Street M. E. church in the presence of a large congregation by Rev. A. H. Higgs of Fayette, Mo. Interment was in the Fairview cemetery in this city.

A FRIEND.

MASONIC.

Already is heard the advance firing of the warriors who expect to control the June elections in subordinate lodges. Candidates are being groomed and doomed alternately.

It is needless to say that the extent to which this pre-election work is carried on is not only unfair, but is usually unfair. The Masonic but is usually unfair. The only way to properly conserve the peace and harmony of the lodge is to transact all its business upon strict Masonic bases, giving to each member the unrestricted opportunity to serve where he is best fitted, regardless of his particular popularity with any dominating set of the members. Outside caucusing and "frame-ups" if carried out always result in bitterness and sometimes affect the seal of men who would develop into most useful members. Masonry should not enter politics nor should politics enter Masonry. It seems to the ordinary thinker that the selection of men for official honors should be governed (1) by the fitness and ability of the men; (2) by the enthusiasm and interest shown by the brother in his willingness to attend lodge meetings and do lodge work when called upon. A member may be ever so capable of holding office but he is careless about attending his lodge he should not expect to receive its official preferences. Rewards should go to the workers, all other things being equal, and they should be bestowed strictly in accordance with that fraternal spirit of brotherly love which is the guiding force in the craft, rather than by clanish spirit or by selfish aims.

—Herford.

SHRINERS' ANNUAL OUTING.

Allah Temple No. 6, Mystic Shrine, at a business and social session combined Wednesday night last, decided upon Thursday, June 17, as the date for its annual outing. The pilgrimage will as usual be made to Leavenworth Kas., over the interurban lines. Proceeding the outing a ceremonial session will be held and preparations are being made for a large class. Mr. W. G. Mosely is the Potentate and John A. Johnson is recorder. The Temple was entertained Wednesday by the Elmpire City quartet.

Y. W. C. A. NOTES

YATES BRANCH Y. W. C. A.

The energy with which the earnest workers of the association have worked to raise the yearly budget is refreshing. Too much credit can not be given to the earnest team workers. The budget this year is \$1,200, which is to include a home that will be a center for girls' activities. Six men have already pledged \$25 each toward the rent of the home. They are Mr. Tilford Davis, Mr. S. H. Randolph, Mr. Nat Singletary, Dr. W. W. Montgomery, Wm. Hulse and John W. Jones. May we have six more to insure the rent for one year? Miss Eva D. Bowles, the National Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., with headquarters in New York city, has been a most welcome guest of the Yates branch for the past ten days. Miss Bowles is an ideal type of womanhood and is giving her entire life to the service of others. The national secretary found the work here doing nicely. Edna H. Cook is general secretary.

ART EXHIBIT.

DUNBAR ART CLUB
Monday, May 3
LYRIC HALL
Admission 25 Cents

Y. M. C. A. NOTES

The Reds, captained by L. A. Knox, won the membership contest by four. To date, five months after entering the new building, the membership has already reached 529.

Indicative of how wide spread the information concerning the association has gone out, men coming from all parts of the country are writing in for dormitory accommodations.

Two large banquets, the Knights Templars and the railway mail clerks, have taken place in the association banquet hall this month. Still another is scheduled for a later date this month and another early in May.

Some of the gymnasium classes are now doing outdoor work. As the weather approaches the physical department with its shower baths and swimming pool becomes more popular. This is the time of year to build up stamina to overcome the enervating days of the summer.

On Monday evening, May 3, a match for the championship of Kansas City will begin. The contestants are Mr. A. V. Pepp, tournament champion, and Mr. Emanuel Jackson, two of the best local Negro experts. This will be the first time such a match was ever conducted in Kansas City, and will cause the greatest excitement among the fans.

On the evening of April 14 a number of expert chess and checker players met at the Y. M. C. A. rooms and organized a regular chess and checker association. The following officers were elected: W. E. Griffin, president; D. Howard, vice president; A. V. Pepp, recording secretary; Prof. J. D. Bowser, corresponding secretary. The association adopted rules and



CAPT. LEON H. JORDAN
Who will personally manage the new Criterion Theatre this season, which insures its continued success.

ST. JOSEPH, MO.

Rev. W. J. DeBoe of the M. E. church has been assigned to the church at Joplin, Mo., and Rev. Wolkoff succeeds him. New Hope Baptist church closed its fair last week and succeeded nicely. Rev. N. C. Buren spent last Wednesday visiting Rev. J. Siler at Norborne. The "Flying Squadron" visited the city last week and several interesting speakers brought many facts to us concerning the liquor traffic. Quarterly meeting was held at Holsey chapel Sunday. The presiding elder, Rev. Curry, was present and the sermon in the afternoon was delivered by Rev. Wolkoff. Hon. A. W. Lloyd of St. Louis, grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias of Missouri, was the guest of Mr. Smith Crews Saturday and Sunday. Madame Anita Patti Brown, the coloratura soprano of Chicago, sang to a very appreciative audience at the Masonic Temple last Tuesday night. She was presented by M. A. D. Harts. Mrs. Essex Allen was out to service Sunday morning, the first time since November. Her many friends are so glad of her recovery. Mrs. Ella Henson, who was taken suddenly ill last week, is on the road to recovery. The A. M. E. church opened its annual fair and bazar Monday night, the 19th. The program rendered that evening was a playlet called "The Sewing Society." It was well rendered and much enjoyed. Mr. Alonzo Lewis has moved to Atchison, Kas. Mrs. Lewis was Miss Opal Lee. Hon. A. W. Lloyd of St. Louis, grand chancellor of the K. of P., was a visitor.



MR. FORTUNE J. WEAVER
The hustling and energetic President of the Afro-American Employment and Realty Co., who has sold more than 500 homes to Negroes and secured employment for 60,000 in the past ten years.

or here Sunday, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Crews, and give a lecture to the organization. Mrs. Sam Henson, who has been ill, is improving. The Whatsoever club gave a fair at the A. M. E. church during the week which was a grand success under the management of Mrs. Bell McGee, president. Mrs. Howard Johnson died April 8 and the funeral was held from her sister's residence, Mrs. M. D. Lawrie, Saturday. Rev. G. L. Prince officiated. Mrs. Mattie Johnson died at her home, 222 Iowa avenue, and her funeral was held from the First Mt. Union Baptist church Saturday. A husband, Mr. Lee Johnson, two sisters, a father and many other relatives survive her.

THE BROWN SONNET.

A sweet complexion like the ripening corn,
With the softest mellow-brown laughing eyes;
Like pleasant glories of a vernal morn
Exulting in the sun's ennobling rise,
Touch not those flowered lips unfeigning wiles,
Which may lure you with a tempting power,
Nor drink too deep a draught of those pure smiles
Which warms the soul as a blooming flower.
Oh Daughter of Thiope, lovely maid,
How pleasant the glow of thy burnished charms,
And how beautiful each gold tinted shade
Brightens up all, even those matchless arms.
So dimpled cheek and coy, lovely in grace,
With black locks straying down thy comely face.

—Chas. A. Starks.

Notice—We will publish in our next issue something decidedly new in the way of composition by our poet, entitled "Songs of the Seasons." Watch for it.

WHY NOT BE FAIR WITH THE NEWSPAPER MAN?

There are many persons who never stop to think of their obligation to the newspaper man. They seem to be of the opinion that he can live easily without collecting from his subscribers, and yet be able to give them a newspaper that is full of news, back and front and all up and down the sides. There is no question about it. It is damned if he do, and be damned if he do not. Then why not be fair with the fellow who at the best he can do is always between the devil and the deep blue sea?

Read the following excerpt:
No one has an opportunity of learning the characteristics of individuals more than the publisher of a race paper, and no one has more varied and peculiar experiences. There are those who will pay the subscription as regularly and as promptly as it is due without delay or hesitation. Just as they would any other debt. This is the desirable and welcome subscriber. There is another class who subscribes as willingly and will pay the subscription at that time, but it is almost impossible to collect it again, for it is almost impossible to find the individual as they move from place to place so frequently. Then there is the responsible subscriber who feels that he is good for the subscription but never pays unless a personal demand is made upon him for it. This may ease his conscience, but it is almost as difficult to collect his subscription when it is needed most, as it is to collect from the man who is not responsible. Then there is the subscriber who imagines that every one pays his subscriptions except himself and that the publisher is well to do and does not need the money. He keeps the money in his pocket until it is thawed out by first one process and then another. Some subscribers never intend to pay and by first one subterfuge or another avoids payment until the publisher is self-defense must stop the paper and collect the subscription by legal process when this is possible. Really the subscribers to race papers should feel a deeper interest in their success and adopt the habit of paying for them promptly, and in that way may lighten the burdens of the publisher and insure better and more regular publication of the paper.

ROSEDALE, KANSAS.

The funeral of Mr. Wm. H. Jackson was held from the Pleasant Valley Baptist church, of which he was a member, Wednesday. He is survived by a wife, five children and a mother. A daughter, Miss Wilmer Jackson, is a student at Sumner High School. Revival services are in progress at Wesley Chapel M. E. church. Rev. Williams is the new pastor. The revival services are still in progress at the Pleasant Valley Baptist church. A large number of additions have been made. The condition of Miss Rosa Morton, who has been ill for several weeks, is somewhat improved. The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Raines was buried from their residence Tuesday.

ALL HAIL—GLAD TIDINGS—GOOD NEWS

Grand Opening CRITERION THEATRE, Sunday, April 25th

BY

The World Famous BILLY KING with his Incomparable Company of Sixteen Artistic Stars. The Greatest and Most Celebrated Group of Negro Performers Ever Assembled in America.

Everything Fresh, New and Up-to-Date.

Admission 10 and 15 Cents.

LEON H. JORDAN, Sole Mgr.